

# Re: Ballona Creek Multi Jurisdictional Task Force...

**Subject:** Re: Ballona Creek Multi Jurisdictional Task Force Standing Call  
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Hey folks,

On this morning's call we discussed moving the clean up date per the new rules for DPW clean ups. Since they now need to wait until all of LAHSA outreach has been conducted before they can post, the date for a clean up. With that being said, they will need to push back their clean up for everything west of the 405 from the 17th to the target date which is 4/25. Before this is confirmed, they will need to confirm with their contractor. LAHSA has agreed to this date. LASAN and LAPD does 4/25 work for you? Let me know so that can be communicated to DPW.

Thanks,  
Hannah

On Thu, Apr 11, 2019 at 9:11 AM Jemellee Cruz <jCRUZ@dpw.lacounty.gov> wrote:

Please note that DPW's maintenance responsibility upstream of the 405 fwy along Ballona Creek ends on La Salle Avenue, and from Washington Blvd. to Cochran, which is a concrete-lined channel. Overland Avenue is a few blocks south of La Salle, and have no PEH issues at this moment.

The COE has maintenance responsibility from La Salle Avenue to Washington Blvd. Pls. coordinate directly with Eric and Richard of the COE for any PEH encampment cleanup within this channel reach, if they plan to do one.

Thank you.

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Thanks, Jemellee.

We will discuss this over the phone today during our 9:30am call.

On Thu, Apr 11, 2019 at 8:17 AM Jemellee Cruz <jCRUZ@dpw.lacounty.gov> wrote:

Good morning. I understand both LAHSA and LASAN confirmed for 4/17 cleanup downstream of the 405 fwy along Ballona.

Per our big meeting with the Sheriff, LAHSA, our County CEO, County Counsel, and my admin, we are changing our protocol. One of the major changes is that we cannot start the 14-day posting until LAHSA has notified us that they have completed their outreach and coordinated with our Hazmat Contractor.

With that said, I need to check with our foreman and our contractor their new posting & cleanup schedule downstream of the 405 fwy and will keep you all posted.

NOTE: On 4/17, we are still confirmed to start the encampment cleanup from Overland Avenue to the 405 fwy.

Thank you.

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Awesome - thanks Renee.

And Victor - it will just be Ballona, not Centinela. We may start addressing that in the next round.

All - we are confirmed for 4/17. I will send out an invite today.

On Tue, Apr 9, 2019, 9:45 AM Renee (Cecelia) Shackelford <reneeshackelford@lacity.org> wrote:

Hi Hannah,

As mentioned, if there are no present encampments on the bike path itself LASAN will have West HOPE there in case anyone moves over to our jurisdiction

Much Appreciated,

Renee

C. Renée Shackelford

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On Fri, Apr 5, 2019 at 4:59 PM Hannah Leveni <hannah.levien@lacity.org> wrote:

LAPD will be sending different officers but please let me know who all is confirmed for 4/17 so we can talk about routes for the clean up on Monday.

Thanks!

Hannah

On Fri, Mar 29, 2019 at 5:15 PM Hannah Leveni <hannah.levien@lacity.org> wrote:

Renee & Javier - can you do 4/17?

On Wed, Mar 27, 2019 at 3:38 PM Jemellee Cruz <jCRUZ@dpw.lacounty.gov> wrote:

Victor, Public Works understands the intentions for these encampment cleanups and the constraints associated with the PEH outreach services.

The main reason for our request to go back to the east bank south of the 405 Freeway across from the McCollum Avenue (and other new sites) was to respond to homeowner's request during the Feb. 19 Monthly Bike Path meeting. I know a few agencies didn't make it to that meeting.

PEH folks displaced during the Feb. 15 Caltrans cleanup behind the 405 Fwy moved to our r/w across from the McCollum Avenue and some other locations. Unfortunately, our crews were on their regular day off when we received the notice and were not able to be



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Jemellee, good morning.  
Since we will be reposting downstream of the 405 freeway for the new encampments and PEH whom have returned, we will also be needing LAPD for security purposes as well on these dates  
Thanks.

Hello everyone! I spoke with Ben Benter, (805) 573-2982, Homeless Encampment Cleanup Supervisor, Caltrans Area 1. He is the main contact for Ballona Creek and is willing to be part of our coordinated cleanup efforts along this channel. Ms. Cynthia Williams is his Area 1 Superintendent.

With new reps from other agencies in this taskforce, I'd like to again share the attached multi-jurisdictional maps along the Ballona Creek. We created these maps per request from our Ballona Creek Bike Path Monthly Meeting with the homeowners. I hope these help clear up some jurisdictional issues.

- Waiting for City of Culver PD and our hazmat contractor for their availability.
- The channel reach is within the cities of Culver City and Los Angeles.
- Both the LACFCD & the COE have maintenance responsibilities on this channel segment.
- Proposed Dates: 3/20 1st posting

Thank you.  
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